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Date of Interview: 17 March 2003.

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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No:
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: claims rejected under 112 first, 102, 103.

Identification of prior art discussed: Pastan, Goodwin, Strickney.

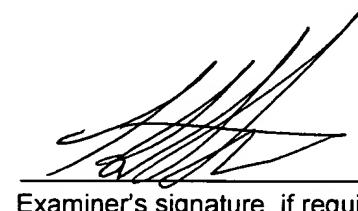
Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

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